

PROPOSED MINUTES
LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4338 Beeline Road, Allegan County, Holland, MI 49423
WORKSHOP MINUTES
Wednesday, April 6, 2022

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Linda Howell called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Delaney, Linda Howell, Jim Johnson, Michelle Sall

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Dewey

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin, township manager; Jim Hayden, public information officer

ARTICLE II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Sall, second by Delaney, to approve the March 2, 2022, regular workshop minutes. VOICE VOTE. PASS UNANIMOUSLY 4-0

ARTICLE III. FINANCES

The board discussed the finance report. Meshkin discussed General Ledger Dept. 447 Bike Paths for \$7,631, noting it is for engineering for the bike path on Blue Star Highway from Prein & Newhof. The board came to the consensus that the report will be on the April 13 agenda.

ARTICLE IV. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Johnson, second by Delaney, to go into closed session at 5:14 p.m. with a township attorney to discuss a legal opinion from the attorney regarding Halcyon Hills. ROLL CALL VOTE. PASS UNANIMOUSLY 4-0.

The board returned to open session at 6:05 p.m.

ARTICLE V. TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) The board came to a consensus to put a Lakeshore Advantage presentation on the agenda for the April 13 meeting after the Financial Report/Review & Approve Bills and before Report of Officers.
- b) The board reviewed and discussed the proposed Fire, Road, Bicycle Path and Drain Millage Renewal Proposition for 2.0 mills. Meshkin will confirm with the attorney the wording of the proposal. The board came to a consensus to put the proposal on the agenda for the April 13 meeting.
- c) The board reviewed and discussed the road surfacing bid tabulations from the Allegan County Road Commission for about 4.4 miles. The board came to the consensus to put the acceptance of the bid from Black Gold Transport for \$674,437.50 on the April 13 meeting agenda.

ARTICLE V. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Howell asked board members to study the proposals from nonprofits for American Rescue Plan Act money. Funding available is \$75,000. Proposals submitted from Allegan County Mental Health, Fellinlove Farm, Felt Estate, Holland Western Horse Park, Hospice and Safe Harbor. Howell plans to discuss the topic at the next workshop and make decisions in May.
- b) Meshkin updated the board on the Holland water agreement.

- c) The board discussed charter status, noting a Michigan Township Association workshop upcoming on the topic. Board members can still sign up for it.
- d) Howell said she plans to meet with Meshkin regarding goals for his contract.

ARTICLE VI. NEXT WORKSHOP – The next regular workshop meeting is 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 4, 2022.

ARTICLE VII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bill Kazanova, 6750 Halcyon Drive: Asked what board discussed in closed session and when he will receive notification of what occurred. Howell said the issue was in closed session and cannot be discussed.

Linda Kazanova, 6750 Halcyon Drive: Said the sheriff's office is bidding out duties on April 14 for summer duties. Meshkin said that will be taken into consideration. Howell acknowledged receipt of an email from Vandermeulen Road.

ARTICLE VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Johnson, second by Delaney, to adjourn the workshop at 6:41 p.m. VOICE VOTE. PASS UNANIMOUSLY 4-0.